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SUBJECT: PRESS SVORY ON DAMASCUS TRIP

1. LOCAL PRESS DIGEST DEC 19 CARRIED STORY I VISITED
DAMBASCUS YESTERDAY TO TRY AND PERSUADE SYRIA TO ATTEND
GENEVA CONFERENCE.

2. IN CHECKING OUT SOURCE, I FIND THIS REPORT BASED
ON STORY FILED BY JUAN DE ONIS OF NEW YORK TIMES WHO
WAS IN DAMBASCUS YESTERDAY (STILL THERE TODAY) AND
OBVIOUSLY WAS GIVEN THIS BY THE SYRIANS.

3. I AM ANSWERING QUERIES ON STORY "NO COMMENT." ON
BACKGROUND BASIS I WOULD CONFIRM I WAS IN DAMASCUS BUT
WILL REFUSE TO DIVULGE ANYTHING ABOUT DISCUSSIONS SAYING
ANYTHING ON THE CONVERSATIONS THERE MUST COME FROM SYRIAN
GOVERNMENT. BUFFUM

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